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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, DC 20310

11 JUN 1985

Honorable Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I am transmitting a report of the Chief of Engineers dated April 18, 1985, entitled "Projects Recommended for Deauthorization -- Consolidated 9th and 10th Annual Reports," pursuant to Section 12, Public Law 93-251, as amended. I concur with the Chief of Engineers recommendation that the projects in this report should be deauthorized.

We proposed amendments to Section 12 in legislation submitted on February 20, 1985 (HR 1557 and S 534). These changes will significantly improve the efficiency of the deauthorization process in identifying authorized projects which are no longer needed or are not justified by todays standards. The proposal will help reduce the Corps current backlog of approximately 400 authorized Civil Works projects plus an undetermined number of separable elements of projects for which no funds have been appropriated for at least eight years. These are projects and separable elements which have little or no chance of producing projects or viable solutions to problems perceived years ago.

The Office of Management and Budget advises that there is no objection to the submission of the Chief of Engineers report to the Congress. A copy of the letter from the Office of Management and Budget is enclosed as part of this report.

Sincerely,

Robert K. Dawson
Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army
(Civil Works)

Enclosure

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

07 JUN 1985

Honorable Robert K. Dawson
Acting Assistant Secretary of
the Army for Civil Works
Room 2E570 - Pentagon
Washington, D. C. 20310

Dear Mr. Dawson:

On May 1, 1985, you sent us a copy of the Chief of Engineers' consolidated 9th and 10th Annual Deauthorization Reports with your recommendations and draft transmittal letter to Congress.

The Office of Management and Budget supports deauthorization of the projects in accordance with the recommendations of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works. The reports are in accordance with the program of the President and we do not object to your submitting them to Congress.

Sincerely,

Randall E. Davis

Randall E. Davis
Associate Director
for Natural Resources,
Energy and Science

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SECTION 12, PUBLIC LAW 93-251, AS AMENDED
(88 Statute 16)
WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974

Project review, List, submittal to Congress

Sec. 12, (a) As soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this section and at least once each year thereafter, the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, shall review and submit to Congress a list of those authorized projects for works of improvement of rivers and harbors and other waterways for navigation, beach erosion, flood control, and other purposes which have been authorized for a period of at least eight years without any Congressional appropriations within the last eight years and which he determines, after appropriate review, should no longer be authorized. Each project so listed shall be accompanied by the recommendation of the Chief of Engineers together with his reasons for such recommendation. Prior to the submission of such list to the Congress, the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, shall obtain the views of interested Federal departments, agencies, and instrumentalities, and of the Governor of each State wherein such project would be located, which views shall be furnished within sixty days after being requested by the Secretary and which shall accompany the list submitted to Congress. Prior to the submission of such list to Congress the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, shall notify each Senator in whose state, and each member of the House of Representatives in whose district, a project (including any part thereof) on such list would be located.

(b) Such list shall be delivered to both Houses on the same day and to each House while it is in session. A project on such list shall not be authorized at the end of the first period of ninety calendar days of continuous session of Congress after the date such list is delivered to it unless between the date of delivery and the end of such ninety day period, either the Committee on Public Works of the House of Representatives or the Committee on Public Works of the Senate adopts a resolution stating that such project shall continue to be an authorized project. For the purposes of this section continuity of session is broken only by an adjournment of Congress sine die, and the days on which either House is not in session,

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because of an adjournment of more than three days to a day certain are excluded in the computation of the ninety day period. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any project contained in a list of projects submitted to the Congress within ninety days preceding the date of adjournment sine die of any session of Congress.

(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed so as to preclude the Secretary from withdrawing any project or projects from such list at any time prior to the final day of the period provided for in subsection (b).

(d) This section shall not be applicable to any project which has been included in a resolution adopted pursuant to subsection (b).

(e) The Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, shall, on request by resolution of the Committee on Public Works of the Senate or the Committee on Public Works of the House of Representatives, review authorized projects for inclusion in the list of projects provided for in subsection (a) of this section. If any project so reviewed is not included in any of the first three lists submitted to the Congress after the date of the resolution directing the review of the project, a report on the review together with the reasons for not recommending deauthorization, shall be submitted to the Committee on Public Works of the Senate and House of Representatives not later than the date of the third list scheduled to Congress after the date of such resolution.

Report, submittal to Congressional Committees.

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DISCUSSION OF SECTION 12, PUBLIC LAW 93-251
CONTAINED IN THE
REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC WORKS

"Many water resources development projects become, after they are authorized, inappropriate for one reason or another. Changing economic conditions may render them uneconomic. Population and industrial growth may make them inadequate to serve new needs. The local interests may decide they do not want a project. Yet, in all of these cases, unless the time consuming process of obtaining specific Congressional deauthorization through an Act of Congress is followed, the project remains authorized, is considered part of the backlog of authorized but unconstructed projects, and continues to discourage homeowners and landowners in the project area from maintaining, much less improving, their property.

"It should be clearly noted that this section is not intended to be used as a vehicle for the abandonment by the Federal Government of maintenance of completed projects.

"This section fulfills a very real need for a means to remove from the books projects which are not needed or justified, while at the same time providing ample congressional review and final decision-making authority."

Source:

Report of the Committee on Public Works, United States Senate, Water Resources Development and River Basin Monetary Authorization Acts of 1973, Report No. 93-615, December 11, 1973, p. 117.

Report of the Committee on Public Works, House of Representatives, Water Resources Development Act of 1973 and River Basin Monetary Authorization Act of 1973, Report No. 93-541, October 3, 1973, pp. 90-91.

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PROJECTS RECOMMENDED FOR DEAUTHORIZATION—CONSOLIDATED 9th AND 10th ANNUAL REPORTS

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF ENGINEERS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20314-1000

April 18, 1985

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

Planning Division

SUBJECT: Projects Recommended for Deauthorization -- Consolidated 9th and 10th Annual Reports

THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

I am submitting the consolidated 9th and 10th Annual Deauthorization Reports of projects recommended for deauthorization, pursuant to Section 12, Public Law 93-251, as amended. In this consolidated report, I recommend the deauthorization of seven projects which have been authorized for at least eight years and for which no funds have been appropriated in the last eight years.

My recommendations are based on a review of selected projects by field offices of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers in FY 84; 15 were initially recommended for deauthorization. By letter of March 29, 1985, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, on behalf of the State of Missouri, withdrew its support for deauthorization of eight projects in Missouri and recommended restudy of the basin in which those projects exist. The reason for this reversal is that extensive flooding occurred recently in those basins. Existing study authorities are sufficient, subject to appropriations. Accordingly, I have withdrawn those eight projects from this report.

Copies of comments I received on the proposed list, the letter from the State of Missouri and my responses are included with this report.

E. R. HEIBERG III
Lieutenant General, USA
Chief of Engineers

Enclosure

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US Army Corps
of Engineers
Office of the Chief
of Engineers

List of Projects Recommended for Deauthorization under Section 12, Public Law 93-251, as Amended

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Part 1

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EXPLANATORY NOTES
TO THE LIST OF PROJECTS PROPOSED FOR DEAUTHORIZATION

1. Project Reference Number. A number used by the Corps of Engineers for internal bookkeeping.

2. Project Name. The name given a project when it was authorized by Congress.

3. Reason for Recommending Deauthorization. List contains a brief statement related to the criteria for recommending deauthorization published in the Federal Register (33 CFR 213); Project Information Sheets accompanying the list provide greater detail on the reasons for recommending deauthorization.

4. Deauthorization Code. A code used by the Chief of Engineers to explain the nature of the recommended deauthorization action:

Code A: The project recommended for deauthorization was last authorized by Congress prior to 31 December 1968, as indicated on the Project Information Sheet. The project has received no funds for Advance Engineering and Design (AE&D) or construction in the past 8 years. No portion of the project has been constructed since authorization. The recommended action would deauthorize the entire project, leaving no portion in an authorized but unconstructed status.

Code B: The project recommended for deauthorization was last authorized by Congress prior to 31 December 1968, as indicated on the Project Information Sheet. Portions of that project have been completed. Neither the completed nor the uncompleted portions of the project have received funding for AE&D or construction in the past 8 years. The recommended action would deauthorize all uncompleted portions of the project, leaving none in an authorized but unconstructed status. The deauthorization action would not affect Federal maintenance responsibilities for completed portions of the project if provided in the Authorization Act, or otherwise authorized by Congress.

Code C: The project recommended for deauthorization was last authorized by Congress prior to 31 December 1968, as an element of a project. This element has been administratively identified as a separate project by the Corps of Engineers and may be suitable for deauthorization under Section 12, Public Law 93-251, or other subsequent, specific Congressional action as a modification to the original project authorization. No other element of the project authorization, of which this element was a part, has received funding in the last 8 years. The recommended action will leave other elements of the project authorization in an authorized but unconstructed status. The recommended action would not affect Federal maintenance responsibilities for completed portions of the project if provided in the Authorization Act, or otherwise authorized by Congress.

Code D: Same as Code C except that two or more elements of an authorized project, which have been identified by the Corps of Engineers as a separate project(s), are being recommended for deauthorization.

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Project Reference Number	Project Name	Reason for Recommending Project Deauthorization	Deauthorization Code
I-72259-F	Garnett Lk	Project lacks net benefits, and a restudy would not develop a justified plan.	A

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Project Reference Number	Project Name	Reason for Recommending Project Deauthorization	Deauthorization Code
I-19460-N	Warroad Ri and Bulldog Cr	The authorized project has become economically infeasible and unacceptable to local sponsors.	*A

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Project Reference Number	Project Name	Reason for Recommending Project Deauthorization	Deauthorization Code
D-71136-F	Logan Lk	The project is not responsive to current water resources needs in the project area. There is no support for the project at the State and local level.	A

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Project Reference Number	Project Name	Reason for Recommending Project Deauthorization	Deauthorization Code
I-74808-N	Cedar Bayou (Mi 3.0 to Mi 11.0)	The uncompleted portion of the project lacks local interest and economic justification.	A
I-75088-N	Houston Ship Ch	Local cooperation requirement could not be fulfilled.	A
I-75204-F	Peyton Creek	The entire project lacks local support and is not economically justified.	A
I-76040-N	Sabine Neches WW Channel to Echo, Texas	The entire project lacks local support and is not economically justified.	A

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US Army Corps
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Office of the Chief
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Comments on Chief of Engineers Proposed List of Projects

List transmitted to Governors
of affected States and Federal
Agencies for review and comment
on 14 January 1985

Part 2

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COMMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20250

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Lieutenant General E. R. Heiberg III
Chief of Engineers
Office of the Chief of Engineers
Army Corps of Engineers
U.S. Department of the Army
Washington, D.C. 20314-1000

Dear General Heiberg:

We have reviewed the list of authorized, but unconstructed, Corps of Engineers' projects which you proposed to recommend for deauthorization by Congress pursuant to Section 12 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1974, Public Law 93-251.

The Department of Agriculture has made a project-by-project review of the list you propose to recommend for deauthorization to the Congress and has no objection to your proposal.

Sincerely,

Richard D. Siegel

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COMMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Washington, D.C. 20201

MAR 5 ..

Lieutenant General E. R. Heiberg, III
Chief of Engineers
Department of the Army
(ATTN: DAEN-CWP-A)
Washington, D. C. 20314-1000

Dear General Heiberg:

I have been asked to respond to Colonel Paul Taylor's January 14 letter to Secretary Heckler concerning our views on deauthorization of projects contained in the Department of the Army's latest listing.

We have reviewed the Information Sheets provided for each of the unconstructed projects and have no objection to your proposal to deauthorize them.

Sincerely,

Edwin M. Sullivan
Director, Office of Facilities
and Management Services

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COMMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY
(SHIPBUILDING AND LOGISTICS)
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20360

11 March 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF ENGINEERS, DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
(ATTN: DAEN-CWP-A)

Subj: US Army Corps of Engineers Annual Reviews of Deauthorization of Projects

Ref: (a) Office of Chief of Engineers, US Army, letter to Secretary Lehman of 14 Jan 1985

Reference (a) asked the Navy to review Army's listing of projects to be deauthorized as a result of its consolidated 9th and 10th annual reviews. We were also asked to provide our comments directly to you.

Our review of the listings revealed that none of the deauthorizations would impact Naval facilities or projects; hence, we have no comments to offer.

F. S. STERNS
Director
Installations & Facilities

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COMMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20410

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR
COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

FEB 0 1985

Lieutenant General E. R. Heiberg III
Chief of Engineers
Department of the Army
Washington, D. C. 20314-1000

Dear General Heiberg:

This is in response to the letter of January 14, 1985 from Colonel Paul W. Taylor to Secretary Pierce requesting comments on the proposed project deauthorization list.

The projects proposed for deauthorization have been reviewed by staff of the appropriate field offices of HUD, Regions V, VI, and VII. There are no objections to the deauthorization of the fifteen projects listed in the proposal. In no case was there evidence of an interagency relationship or potential project contributions which were considered essential to HUD program interests.

We appreciate the opportunity to review these project proposals with the informational summary of public comment.

Sincerely,

Alfred C. Moran
Assistant Secretary-Designate

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COMMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Chicago Area Office, Region V
547 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois 60606

FEB 26 1985

Lieutenant General E. R. Heiberg III
Chief of Engineers
Department of the Army
(Attn: DAEN-CWP-A)
Washington, D. C. 20314-1000

Dear Sir:

This is in response to a letter addressed to this office, from Paul W. Taylor, Col., Corps of Engineers, dated January 14, 1985, wherein he requests our views with respect to the proposed deauthorization of certain projects within this region, specifically:

a) I-1960 Warroad River and Bulldog Creek, Minnesota, and,

b) D-71136-F, Logan Lake, Ohio.

We have reviewed the proposed activities and pose no objection to their deauthorization.

Sincerely,

Judith Y. Brachman

Judith Y. Brachman
Regional Administrator
Regional Housing Commissioner

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COMMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Kansas City Regional Office, Region VII
Professional Building
1103 Grand Avenue
Kansas City, Missouri 64106-2496

January 24, 1985

Lieutenant General E. R. Heiberg, III
Chief of Engineers
Department of the Army
Attention: DAEN-CWP-A
Washington, DC 20314-1000

Dear General Heiberg:

As requested in the letter from Colonel Paul W. Taylor of January 14, 1985, I have reviewed information related to the following unconstructed U.S. Army Corps of Engineers projects proposed for deauthorization:

1. Garnett Lake, Kansas (Project I-72259-F)
2. Braymer Lake, Missouri (Project I-72271-F)
3. Brookfield Lake, Missouri (Project I-72272-F)
4. Chariton-Little Chariton Basin, Missouri (Project I-75102-F)
5. East Muddy Creek Channelization, Missouri (Project I-72274-F)
6. Mercer Lake, Missouri (Project I-72279-F)
7. Pattonsburg Lake, Missouri (Project I-13740-F)
8. Trenton Lake, Missouri (Project I-72280-F)
9. Upper Grand River Levee, Missouri (Project I-72281-F)

Review by the Region VII U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (Kansas City) office has resulted in a determination of no objection to removal of the above-listed projects from their current authorized status.

Sincerely,

Gerald F. Simpson
Regional Administrator - Regional
Housing Commissioner

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COMMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

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Lieutenant General E. R. Heiberg, III
Chief of Engineers
ATTN: DAEN-CWP
Department of the Army
Washington, D.C. 20314

Dear General Heiberg:

Thank you for the letter of January 14, 1985, requesting our views and comments on the list of projects which the Chief of Engineers is proposing for deauthorization.

Our review indicates that deauthorization of those listed projects would not result in any adverse impacts to natural resources. We concur with the recommendations discussed.

Sincerely,

Tom Adams

Bruce Blanchard, Director
Environmental Project Review

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COMMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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JAN 31 1980

Lieutenant General E. R. Heiberg, III
Chief of Engineers
Department of the Army
Attn: DAEN-CWP-A
Washington, D.C. 20314-1000

Dear General Heiberg:

The concerned operating administrations of the Department of Transportation have reviewed the following projects which are proposed for deauthorization:

1. Garnett Lake, Kansas
2. Warroad River and Bulldog Creek, Minnesota
3. Braymer Lake, Brookfield Lake, Chariton - Little Chariton Basins, East Muddy Creek, Mercer Lake, Pattonsburg Lake, Trenton Lake, and Upper Grand River, Missouri
4. Logan Lake, Ohio
5. Cedar Bayou, Houston Ship Channel, Peyton Creek and Sabine Neches Waterway Channel to Echo, Texas

We have no objections to the proposed deauthorizations.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer comments.

Sincerely,

J. G. SCHMIDTMAN
Captain, U. S. Coast Guard
Chief, Planning and Evaluation Staff
By direction of the Commandant

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COMMENTS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

UNITED STATES
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 5
230 SOUTH DEARBORN ST.
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60604

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:
TR-COE-F36010-MN

FEB 5 1985

Lieutenant General E.R. Heiberg III
Chief of Engineers
Department of the Army
Washington, D.C. 20314-1000

Attention: DAEN-CWP-A

Dear General Heiberg:

In a letter dated January 14, 1985, you requested the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's comments on two projects proposed for deauthorization. The projects proposed for deauthorization are the Warroad River and Bulldog Creek ,Minnesota flood control project, and the Logan Lake, Ohio flood control project. Both projects are unacceptable to their local sponsors.

Based on our knowledge of these projects and our review of the information sent with your letter, we concur with the proposal to deauthorize the projects.

Sincerely yours,

William D. Franz

William D. Franz, Chief
Environmental Review Branch
Planning and Management Division

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COMMENTS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION VI
1201 ELM STREET
DALLAS, TEXAS 75270

JAN 28 1985

Lieutenant General E. R. Heigberg III
Chief of Engineers
Department of the Army
Washington, D.C. 20314-1000
ATTN: DAEN-CWP-A

Dear General Heigberg:

This is in response to your agency's recent correspondence dated January 14, 1985, requesting our comments on the proposed deauthorization of the following Federal projects. These project include:

1. Cedar Bayou, Baytown, Texas
2. Houston Ship Channel, Greens Bayou, Texas
3. Peyton Creek, Matagorda County, Texas
4. Sabine Neches WW Channel to Echo, Texas

Based upon the information provided in your letter, we have no comments to offer.

Thank you for your coordination.

Sincerely yours,

Clinton B Spotts

Clinton B. Spotts
Regional EIS Coordinator (6ES-F)

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COMMENTS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION VII
726 MINNESOTA AVENUE
KANSAS CITY, KANSAS 66101

March 7, 1985

Lieutenant General E. R. Heiberg, USA
Chief of Engineers
Department of the Army
Washington, D.C. 20314-1000

ATTN: DAEN-CWP-A

Dear General Heiberg:

Members of my staff have reviewed the Project Information Sheets for unconstructed water resource projects as transmitted by your letter of January 14, 1985. We have no objections to the deauthorization actions you propose.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on your proposed actions.

Sincerely yours,

Edward C Vest

Edward C. Vest, Acting Chief
Environmental Review Branch

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COMMENTS FROM THE STATE OF KANSAS

STATE OF KANSAS

John Carlin, Governor

KANSAS WATER OFFICE
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Director

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February 4, 1985

Lieutenant General E.R. Heiberg, III
Chief of Engineers
Department of the Army
Washington, D.C. 20314-1000

Attn: DAEN-CWP-A

Dear General Heiberg:

I am writing in response to Colonel Paul W. Taylor's letter of 14 January soliciting comment on the proposed deauthorization of Garnett Lake in Anderson County, Kansas.

Last summer this office asked affected state agencies for comments concerning deauthorization of Garnett Lake. Response indicated no opposition. Accordingly, we advised Colonel Robert Amrine of the Kansas City District that deauthorization of Garnett Lake proceed as proposed. Our position remains unchanged.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Joseph F. Harkins
Director

JFH:th
cc: The Honorable Nancy Landon Kassebaum, U.S. Senator
The Honorable John Carlin, Governor of Kansas
Colonel Robert M. Amrine, Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District
Mr. Glen E. Kirk, Kansas Water Office

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MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
P.O. Box 176 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102 (314) 751-3443

March 29, 1985

Lt. General E. R. Heiburg, III
Chief of Engineers
Department of the Army
Washington, D.C. 20314-1000

Attention DAEN-CWP-A

Dear Sirs:

This is in answer to your letters to Governor John D. Ashcroft and Department of Natural Resources Director Fred Lafser reporting on a recommendation for deauthorization pursuant to P.L. 93-251. The Department of Army is recommending to Congress, pursuant to P.L. 93-251, deauthorization of the eight Grand River Basin projects on the list attached. Governor Ashcroft forwarded your letter to me for reply.

In July, 1984, I wrote a letter to the district engineer of the Kansas City District explaining the State's position in agreement with recommendations to Congress for deauthorization of the five proposed major reservoirs, the levee and channel modifications on the upper Grand and East Muddy River, and the work in the Chariton-Little Chariton Basin. However, since that time, the area has sustained major flooding and the policies and procedures for the construction of water projects have changed considerably; there has been a renewed interest in water resource issues in the area, both on the part of local citizens and the Missouri legislature. In view of these changed conditions, the State has a different recommendation to make.

The State requests that these projects not be put on the deauthorization list but that a re-study of the Basin be authorized in view of current policies and procedures. We would further recommend that the re-study include flood control and water supply as major considerations and alternative solutions to water problems that may be advised in the study be thoroughly explored.

As a part of the new study, the State would expect that the economic justification for the authorized studies be reviewed and as a part of the study, report those projects determined to be uneconomical and be recommended for deauthorization at the completion of the study.

John D. Ashcroft Governor

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Members of my staff have participated in planning studies with both the Corps of Engineers and the U. S. Soil Conservation Service on flood damage reduction in the Grand and Chariton Basins and the State would expect that both federal agencies would be involved in the new study, as specifically authorized by Public Law 87-639, Joint Investigations and Reports.

Sincerely yours,

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Fred A. Lafser
Director

cc: Governor John D. Ashcroft
Congressman E. Thomas Coleman
Paul Larsen, State Conservationist

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Project Reference Number	Project Name	Reason for Recommending Project Deauthorization	Deauthorization Code
I-72271-F	Braymer Lk	Project lacks net benefits, and a restudy would not develop a justified plan.	C
I-72272-F	Brookfield Lk	Same as above.	C
I-75102-F*	Chariton-Little Chariton Basins	Same as above.	C
I-72274-F	East Muddy Cr Channelization	Same as above.	C
I-72279-F	Mercer Lk, MO and IA	Same as above.	C
I-13740-F	Pattonsburg Lk	Same as above.	C
I-72280-F	Trenton Lk	Same as above.	C
I-72281-F	Upper Grand Ri Levee and Channel modification.	Same as above.	C

* Project was recommended for inclusion in the Ninth Annual Report. The report was not submitted because, there was too little time left before Congress would adjourn sine die.

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MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
P.O. Box 176 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102 (314) 751-4422

May 14, 1984

Paul F. Kavanaugh
Colonel, Corps of Engineers
Executive Director, Engineer Staff
Office of the Chief of Engineers
Washington, D. C., 20314

Dear Colonel Kavanaugh:

This is in answer to your request for comments regarding deauthorization of the Chariton-Little Chariton Basin project, Project Reference Number I-75102-F. We understand this project is to be deauthorized in accordance with Public Law 93-251 because no funds have been appropriated for the past eight years.

The Kansas City District, Corps of Engineers, reports the project had proposed channel work on the Little Chariton and tributaries, but cost of the work outweighs the flood control benefits.

Members of my Department, and the Department of Conservation, have reviewed the proposal and commented favorably on deauthorization. In my view, you should proceed with the deauthorization.

Thank you for the opportunity for comment.

Sincerely,

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Fred Lafser
Director

cc. Director, Department of Conservation

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January 23, 1985

Lieutenant General E. R. Heiberg III
Chief of Engineers
Department of the Army
ATTN: DAEN-CWP-A
Washington, D. C. 20314-1000

RE: PROPOSED DEAUTHORIZATION OF THE LOGAN LAKE PROJECT

Dear General Heiberg:

Reference is made to Colonel Paul W. Taylor's letter of January 14, 1985 concerning the above subject.

I am enclosing herewith copies of my correspondence of January 13 and August 9, 1984 to the Huntington District Corps of Engineers concerning this matter. The Ohio Department of Natural Resources continues to maintain the position that the proposed Logan Lake project should be deauthorized. Also, we would appreciate being advised on the final outcome of our recommended deauthorization.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Myrl H. Shoemaker

MYRL H. SHOEMAKER
Director

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January 13, 1984

John W. Devens, Colonel
District Engineer
U.S. Army Engineer District, Huntington
P. O. Box 2127
Huntington, WV 25721

Dear Colonel Devens:

The proposed Lake Logan reservoir project, authorized by the Congress in 1938, was placed in the deferred category several years ago by the Corps of Engineers. In correspondence of October 10, 1979, the Huntington District advised the Ohio Department of Natural Resources that a reivew of Lake Logan for possible recommendation for deauthorization in FY '80 would take place. However, to date, we have not been advised on the results of such review.

A historical background review of the proposed reservoir project has been completed by our office. We have also considered the project's intended purposes as authorized by Congress. The purposes have been considered in light of more recent information available to us in such documents as the Central Ohio Water Plan. Further, we have assessed the concern expressed by the environmental community over the project's expected negative impact to the natural environment. In addition, the project has been evaluated in terms of public acceptance, projected costs, expected landowner opposition, and overall viability given the present day conditions.

Based on all these factors, we have concluded that the project should be considered for deauthorization under the provisions of Section 12 of the 1974 Water Resources Development Act.

We would appreciate any initiative the Huntington District could take towards immediately considering the Lake Logan project under the Section 12 deauthorization process.

Sincerely,

Myrl H. Shoemaker

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Lieutenant General E.R. Heiberg IV
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(Attn: DAEN-CWP-A)
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Dear General Heiberg:

In response to your request for comments on the proposed deauthorization of four projects located in Texas, Department staff reviewed the status of the Cedar Bayou (Mile 3.0 to 11.0) Navigation Project; the Houston Ship Channel-Greens Bayou (Mile 1.65 to 2.81) Navigation Project; the Sabine-Neches Waterway Channel to Echo, Texas; the Peyton Creek, Matagorda County, Texas Flood Control Project. As a result of that review, the Department has no objections to the proposed deauthorizations.

Sincerely,

Charles E. Nemir
Executive Director

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Project Information Sheets

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Division: Southwestern
District: Galveston

Project Reference Number: I-74808-H

PROJECT INFORMATION SHEET

NAME OF PROJECT: CEDAR BAYOU (MILE 3.0 TO MILE 11.0), TEXAS

AUTHORIZATION: River and Harbor Act of 3 July 1930 (Senate Document No. 107, 71st Congress, 2d Session).

LOCATION: Cedar Bayou is a small coastal stream which originates in Liberty County and meanders through the urban area near the eastern city limits of Baytown, Texas, before entering Galveston Bay.

DESCRIPTION: The project provides for a channel 10 feet deep and 100 feet wide from its junction with the Houston Ship Channel to a point on Cedar Bayou 11 miles above its mouth, an overall distance of 13.7 miles. However, the initial work, completed in 1931, was confined to a channel reach extending from the Houston Ship Channel to the Atlantic Pipeline Company terminal near the mouth of Cedar Bayou, a distance of about 3.4 miles. The reach from the mouth of the bayou to mile 3.0 was improved in 1975, providing a total active channel length of 5.6 miles.

The Cedar Bayou project serves the navigation needs of local industry and recreational interests. Natural channel depths above mile 3.0 range from 6 to 7 feet. These depths are adequate for the industries located above the completed portion of the project.

SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL DATA:

Estimated Project Costs (May 1984 Price Levels)

Federal	$1,036,100
Non-Federal	1,013,100
Total	$2,049,200
Funds Allocated to Date	$ 0
Last Year Funds Allocated	N/A

REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION OF INACTIVE: The improvements between miles 3.0 and 11.0 were not constructed because of a lack of local interest and an established need, and this portion of the project was placed in the "inactive" category in 1931. An economic restudy of the entire project was completed in 1971 in response to a request by the Chambers-Liberty Counties Navigation District to reactivate the project to extend the improvements, resulting in extension to mile 3.0. The portion of the project between mile 3.0 and mile 11.0 was found to lack economic justification.

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RESULTS OF DEAUTHORIZATION REVIEW:

a. The General Manager of the Chambers-Liberty Counties Navigation District was contacted by telephone and by letter, and a notice was published in local newspapers to solicit views on whether the project should remain inactive or be deauthorized by the Congress. The Navigation District expressed no interest in activating the project. No other comments were received.

b. Results of the review indicate that the uncompleted portion of the project from mile 3.0 to mile 11.0 should be deauthorized, leaving no portion in an authorized but unconstructed status, since no arguments were received against such action. An update of the benefits and costs for this portion of the project indicated an unfavorable benefit-cost ratio. The deauthorization action would not affect Federal maintenance responsibilities for completed portions of the project.

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Division: Missouri River
District: Kansas City

Project Reference Number: I-72259-F, Ks.

PROJECT INFORMATION SHEET

NAME OF PROJECT: GARNETT LAKE, KANSAS

AUTHORIZATION: This project was authorized by the Flood Control Act of 1954, Public Law 83-780.

LOCATION: The damsite is on Pottawatomie Creek, a tributary of the Osage River, in Anderson County, Kansas.

DESCRIPTION: The dam would be an earthfill 3,500 feet long and 63 feet high at the highest point above the valley floor. The multipurpose pool would cover about 2,400 acres and, at the top of the flood control pool, the lake would cover approximately 9,200 acres. A project map is attached (Incl 1).

SUMMARIZING FINANCIAL DATA:

Estimated Project Costs (October 1984 price levels)

Federal	$121,355,000
Non-Federal	0
Total	121,355,000

Funds Allocated to Date $71,466 (Restudy)

Last Year Funds Allocated FY 71

REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION: In June of 1973, an economic justification study of the project was completed which clearly showed that flood control and current and near-future local needs for municipal and industrial water supply and water oriented recreation were not sufficient to warrant development of Garnett Lake. The study recommended that Garnett Lake be reclassified into the inactive status, and that the project remain in an inactive status until sufficient demand for water storage and recreation development could be demonstrated.

RESULTS OF DEAUTHORIZATION REVIEW:

a. Assurances for water supply storage had been received from the Kansas Water Resources Board and from the cities of Garnett, Lane, and Greeley. Preliminary projections by the State of Kansas indicated a possible future need for a powerplant that could be located near Garnett Lake. Such a powerplant would have required substantial amounts of water for cooling purposes. During its regular session on 9 June 1972, the Kansas Water Resources Board concluded that further consideration to the development of Garnett Lake should be deferred at that time pending demonstration of specific affirmative interest from the local area. This action by the board was understood to be a recommendation that plans for construction of Garnett Lake should be deferred until a greater potential need is developed in the area for water supply and recreational development. The three cities that had

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previously furnished assurances were contacted subsequently to obtain reaffirmation of their assurances. Only the city of Garnett responded in a letter of 22 November 1972, indicating that it hoped to obtain water from another source at less cost. In a letter of 7 April 1972, Lynn Burris, Jr., Director, Kansas State Park and Resources Authority, indicated that Garnett would have fine potential for recreational development if designed for full site development. However, because of the limited existing and near future need for multipurpose storage, the State Park and Resources Authority advised that it was not interested in sponsoring recreational development.

b. All the data collected during the deauthorization review are on file with the Commander of the Kansas City District.

c. Letters soliciting comments and advising that the Garnett Lake project was being reviewed preparatory to a possible recommendation to Congress for deauthorization were sent to Federal, state, county, and city officials and interested groups in May of 1984.

d. The responses received from the Federal, state, and county entities, in general concurred with the possible recommendation for deauthorization. These respondents are listed below:

--United States Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service, Grand Island, Nebraska.
--Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region VII, Kansas City, Missouri.
--United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region VII, Kansas City, Missouri.
--United States Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service, Salina, Kansas.
--Kansas Water Office, Topeka, Kansas (this office solicited the views of affected state agencies regarding the deauthorization of Garnett Lake, and found there was no opposition).
--Board of County Commissioners, Anderson County, Garnett, Kansas.

e. In order to inform all of the residents of the Garnett Lake area of the possible deauthorization, a news release was prepared and mailed to 90 newspapers. News stories are known to have been carried in the publications which follow: Topeka Capital-Journal, Topeka, Kansas; Garnett Anderson Countian, Garnett, Kansas; Osawatomie Graphic, Osawatomie, Kansas; and the Ottawa Times, Ottawa, Kansas.

f. Three letters were received from private citizens. One individual, while agreeing that Garnett Lake should be deauthorized, qualified this view by suggesting that if there is a genuine need for more water storage then the damsite should be constructed in the vicinity of Lane, Kansas. Admitting that the costs might be similar to the Garnett impoundment, he said such a structure would provide four times more storage water. The second person commenting claimed the city of Garnett never did have an interest in the flood

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control aspect of the reservoir because the city lies more than 2 miles south of the proposed location. Citing the Corps' Malvern and Pomona Reservoirs as doing an admirable job in controlling flooding along the Marais des Cygnes River, he concluded that it is this type of flood protection that is needed for Pottawatomie Valley. A third letter from two persons opposed the possible deauthorization. They felt that construction of the project would result in increased employment and additional visitors which would be economically beneficial to the area.

g. On the basis of the replies received, both from governmental units and private citizens alike, the move to recommend the deauthorization of the Garnett Lake project is generally supported.

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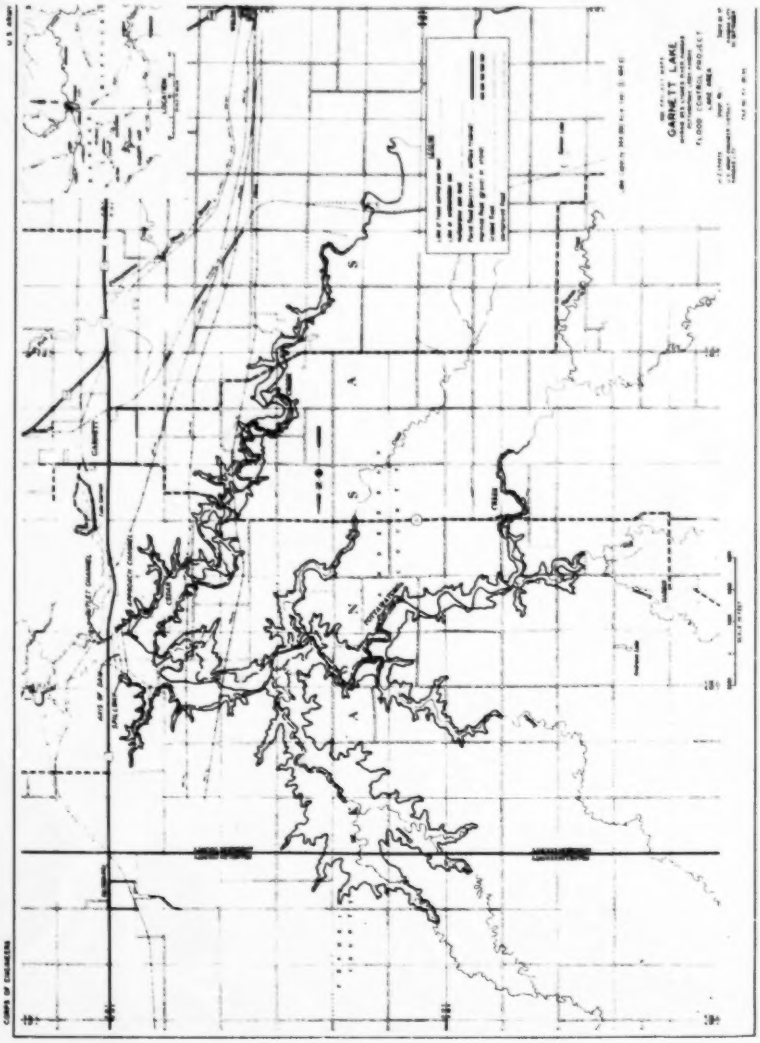

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Division: Southwestern
District: Galveston

Project Reference Number: I-75088-H

PROJECT INFORMATION SHEET

NAME OF PROJECT: HOUSTON SHIP CHANNEL - GREENS BAYOU (MILE 1.65 to 2.81), TEXAS

AUTHORIZATION: River and Harbor Act of 27 October 1965 (Public Law 89/298) (House Document No. 257, 89th Congress, 1st Session).

LOCATION: Greens Bayou is a small coastal stream draining about 210 square miles in southeastern Texas. It rises northwest of Houston, and flows easterly and southerly across Harris County and through the city of Houston for about 44 miles, emptying into Buffalo Bayou (Houston Ship Channel) about 16 miles above Galveston Bay.

DESCRIPTION: The unconstructed portion of the project provides an improved navigation channel 12 feet deep and 100 feet wide between mile 1.65 and 2.81 in Greens Bayou, a tributary of the Houston Ship Channel. The constructed portions of the project include a channel 36 feet deep and 175 feet wide from the mouth to mile 0.34 (maintained to a depth of 40 feet by the Port of Houston), and a channel 15 feet deep and 100 feet wide between miles 0.34 and 1.65.

The River and Harbor Act of 1965 authorized modification to the existing project for the Houston Ship Channel to provide for improvement of Greens Bayou by restoring the existing locally dredged channel from mile 0.0 to mile 0.34 to a depth of 36 feet and a width of 175 feet; and for dredging a channel 15 feet deep and 100 feet wide from mile 0.34 to mile 1.55; thence 12 feet deep and 100 feet wide to mile 2.81. During preconstruction planning, the Port of Houston Authority, formerly the Harris County Houston Ship Channel Navigation District, limited its ability to provide local cooperation to the lower reaches of the project and asked that the scope of the project be reduced accordingly. The project so reduced extended from the mouth to mile 1.65, resulting in the 0.10-mile discrepancy in mile numbers. This portion of the project was completed in October 1970.

SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL DATA:

Estimated Project Costs (May 1984 Price Levels)

Federal	$2,054,000
Non-Federal	917,800
Total	$2,971,800
Funds Allocated to Date	$ 0
Last Year Funds Allocated	N/A

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REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION OF INACTIVE: The Port Authority withdrew support for this portion of the project in June 1968 because the industries using the waterway failed to provide the necessary land required for disposal, and the project was placed in the "inactive" project category in 1971.

RESULTS OF DEAUTHORIZATION REVIEW:

a. The Executive Director of the Port of Houston Authority was contacted by telephone and by letter, and a notice was published in local newspapers to solicit views on whether the project should remain inactive or be deauthorized by the Congress. The Port Authority expressed no interest in activating the project since local cooperation requirements could not be met. No other comments were received.

b. Results of the review indicate that the uncompleted portion of the project from mile 1.65 to mile 2.81 should be deauthorized, leaving no portion in an authorized but unconstructed status, since no arguments were received against such action. The deauthorization action would not affect Federal maintenance responsibilities for completed portions of the project.

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Division: Ohio River
District: Huntington

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PROJECT INFORMATION SHEET

NAME OF PROJECT: LOGAN LAKE, OHIO

AUTHORIZATION: Logan Lake was authorized by the Flood Control Act of 28 June 1938 as a unit in the comprehensive plan for flood control in the Ohio River Basin.

LOCATION: Logan Lake would be located on Clear Creek, a tributary of Hocking River in Hocking and Fairfield Counties, Ohio. The dam site would be located 3.1 miles above the mouth of Clear Creek in Hocking County.

DESCRIPTION: The authorized project consists of a rolled earth and random rockfill dam 115 feet high from streambed to top of dam at elevation 891, and is 600 feet long. It would have a 100-foot wide uncontrolled spillway in the left abutment with a crest elevation 868.3. The outlet works intake structure would entail three gated sluices 4'-0" x 8'-6" and one 24" diameter low flow sluice discharging through a 10-foot diameter horseshoe type tunnel into a stilling basin, invert elevation 775 feet. The project would control a drainage area of 84.1 square miles. Project purposes are flood control, water supply, water quality control, fish and wildlife enhancement, general recreation, preservation and enhancement of natural areas, and economic expansion.

SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL DATA:

Estimated Project Costs (July 1954 Price Level)

Total Project Cost	$4,230,000
Funds Allocated to Date	0

REASONS FOR PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION OF DEAUTHORIZATION: The Logan Lake Project was reclassified from the 'active' category to the 'deferred' category in 1954. A study "Report on Preliminary Examination of Hocking River in Hocking County, Ohio, for Flood Control and Allied Purposes," dated December 1954 concluded that Logan Lake was not economically justified at that time.

A later report, "Development of Water Resources in Appalachia," dated 1971, found Logan Lake to be justified for multi-purpose development; however, the project as currently formulated would not be responsive to current needs. No modifications to the potential project have been made to date. The project remains in the "deferred for restudy" category for flood control projects. The Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) by letter dated 13 January 1984, recommended that the Logan Lake Project be deauthorized. The letter stated in part that:

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"A historical background review of the proposed reservoir project has been completed by our office. We have also considered the project's intended purposes as authorized by Congress. The purposes have been considered in light of more recent information available to us in such documents as the Central Ohio Water Plan. Further, we have assessed the concern expressed by the environmental community over the project's expected negative impact to the natural environment. In addition, the project has been evaluated in terms of public acceptance, projected costs, expected landowner opposition, and overall viability given the present day conditions.

Based on all these factors, we have concluded that the project should be considered for deauthorization under the provisions of Section 12 of the 1974 Water Resources Development Act."

By letter dated 9 August 1984, ODNR, reafirmed their position concerning the deauthorization of the Logan Lake Project.

RESULTS OF DEAUTHORIZATION REVIEW

a. On 6 August 1984 a public notice, with attached project information sheet and location map, was sent to appropriate Federal, State, and local interests, requesting comments on Logan Lake. To date, several replies have concurred with our proposed recommendations that the project be deauthorized. There has not been sufficient public interest in the project to change the recommendation that the project be deauthorized.

b. Due to the lack of State and local support for the project, it is recommended that the Logan Lake Project be deauthorized.

Robert B. Wilson

ROBERT B. WILSON
Colonel, Corps of Engineers
Commander

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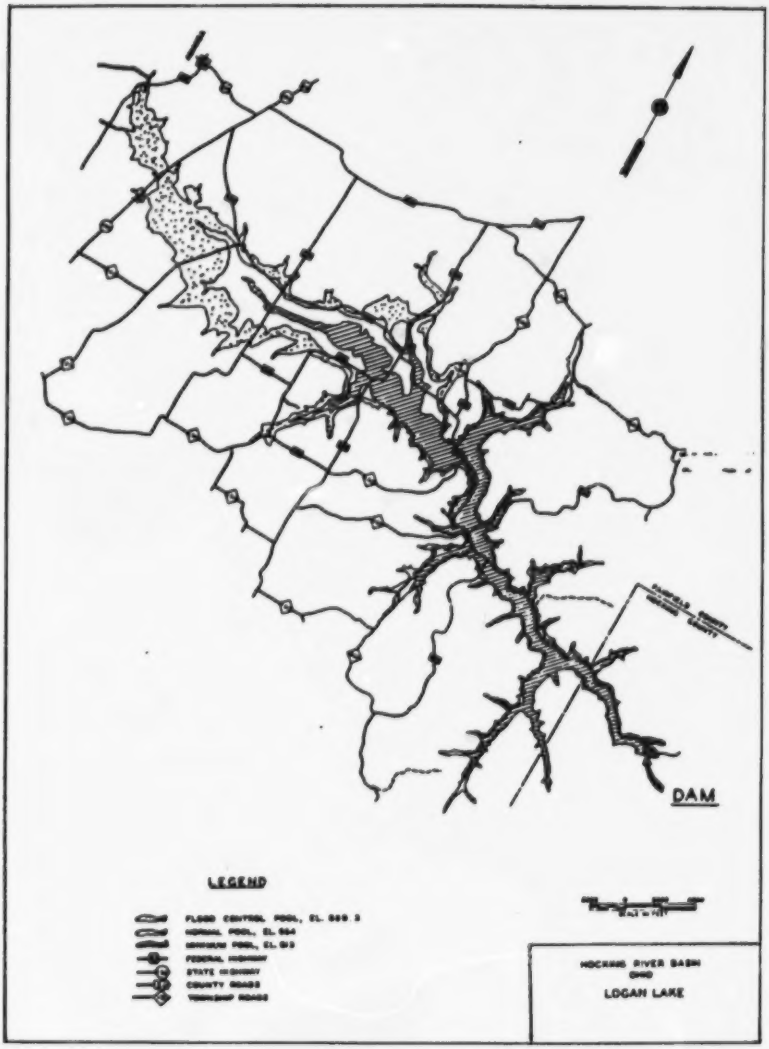

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District: Galveston

Project Reference Number: I-75204-FC

PROJECT INFORMATION SHEET

NAME OF PROJECT: PEYTON CREEK, MATAGORDA COUNTY, TEXAS

AUTHORIZATION: House and Senate Resolutions adopted 12 October 1972 under the authority of Section 201, Flood Control Act of 27 October 1965 (Public Law 89-298) (House Document No. 341, 92d Congress, 2d Session).

LOCATION: The entire Peyton Creek Watershed of about 104 square miles lies within Matagorda County, Texas.

DESCRIPTION: The project provides for enlargement and rectification of Peyton Creek, Bucks Bayou, Cottonwood Creek, Live Oak Slough, and Dry Creek. The project also provides for a plug in Cottonwood Creek above Bay City, and a diversion channel 2.1 miles long from Cottonwood Creek to Bucks Bayou. A saltwater barrier in the lower reaches of Peyton Creek and major drainage outlets to serve agricultural lands in the Peyton Creek Watershed are also included in the authorized project.

SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL DATA:

Estimated Project Costs (May 1984 Price Levels)

Federal	$23,247,800
Non-Federal	5,334,600
Total	$28,582,400
Funds Allocated to Date	$ 66,000
Last Year Funds Received	1975

REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION OF INACTIVE: The Matagorda County Commissioners Court withdrew their support for the project by a resolution dated 9 December 1974 because an overall lack of public interest in the project made it impossible for them to provide the necessary local cooperation. The concerns of the local interests were that the channel dredging would cause adverse environmental effects on Lake Austin, located downstream from the project, and that the lack of a channel from the mouth of Peyton Creek at Lake Austin to east Matagorda Bay would cause induced flood damages below the mouth of Peyton Creek.

RESULTS OF DEAUTHORIZATION REVIEW:

a. The Matagorda County Judge and the Chairman of the Matagorda County Drainage District No. 1 were contacted by telephone and by letter to solicit their views on whether the project should remain inactive or be deauthorized by the Congress. Both expressed no interest in activating the project, nor did they believe the project would receive local support.

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b. The reason for the continued lack of interest in the Federal project is that the Drainage District has applied for a permit to address flooding problems in the Peyton Creek watershed. The work under the permit includes dredging a channel from the mouth of Peyton Creek at Lake Austin to east Matagorda Bay. The lack of such a channel in the authorized Federal project was one of the main reasons why the recommended plan was not supported by local interests. Hydraulic studies conducted during preconstruction planning investigated the need for and feasibility of improvements below Peyton Creek. It was determined that channel improvements in the tidal area below the mouth of Peyton Creek would not significantly reduce flood levels.

c. Results of the review indicate that the entire project should be deauthorized, leaving no portion in an authorized but unconstructed status, since no arguments were received against such action.

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Division: Southwestern
District: Galveston

Project Reference Number: I-76040-N

PROJECT INFORMATION SHEET

NAME OF PROJECT: SABINE NECHES WATERWAY CHANNEL TO ECHO, TEXAS

AUTHORIZATION: The Channel to Echo was authorized by the River and Harbor Act of 23 October 1962 (House Document 553/87/2).

LOCATION: The unconstructed Channel to Echo is located in the Sabine River between the towns of Orange, in Orange County, Texas, and Echo, in Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

DESCRIPTION: The Channel to Echo as authorized would consist of a 12-foot deep, 125-foot wide, and 4.6-mile long navigation channel in the Sabine River between the towns of Orange and Echo. This project would allow for the cut-off of two bends in the river as shown on the attached project map. Approximately 2,600 acres would be required along both sides of the river for new disposal sites.

The principal purpose of this project is to increase the efficiency of the waterway. Tows now using the existing river channel to access facilities near Echo push two barges 5.3 miles up the Sabine River to a point immediately below the confluence of Big Bayou and the Sabine River. The tug then pushes one barge the remaining 2.5 miles to Echo, and then returns for the second barge. Barge tows using the proposed improvements could operate at a greater speed over a shorter route and could handle two barges per tow for the entire trip.

SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL DATA:

Estimated Project Costs (May 1984 Price Levels)

Federal	$2,253,000
Non-Federal	$1,147,000
Total	$3,400,000
Funds Allocated to Date	0
Last Year Funds Received	N/A

REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION OF INACTIVE: In a public meeting held on 14 April 1972, the local sponsoring agency requested realignment of the authorized but unconstructed Channel to Echo in the Sabine River to follow the natural stream. The local sponsor believed that this realignment would substantially reduce the financial responsibility in meeting local cooperation requirements. Subsequent to the public meeting, a restudy was made. This restudy concluded that, with the channel alignment proposed by the sponsor, the project was not economically justified.

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Therefore, because of the inability of the local sponsor to meet the local cooperation requirements of the original authorization, this project was reclassified in 1974 to the "inactive" category of Civil Works projects.

RESULTS OF DEAUTHORIZATION REVIEW:

a. There has been no active interest in pursuing the accomplishment of this project since its reclassification.

b. The Port Director and General Manager of the Orange County Port and Navigation District was contacted by telephone and by letter, and a notice was published in local newspapers to solicit views on whether the project should remain inactive or be deauthorized by the Congress. The Port and Navigation District expressed no interest in activating the project. No other comments were received.

c. Since there is no remaining support for this project, it is recommended that the entire Channel to Echo be deauthorized, leaving no portion in an authorized but unconstructed status.

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Division: North Central
District: St. Paul

Project Reference Number: I-19460-N

PROJECT INFORMATION SHEET

NAME OF PROJECT: WARROAD RIVER AND BULLDOG CREEK, MINNESOTA

AUTHORIZATION: Flood Control Act of 1962.

LOCATION: The authorized project is located in Roseau County in north-central Minnesota near the International Boundary and near the city of Warroad, Minnesota.

DESCRIPTION: The authorized project is illustrated on the inclosed map. The authorized project was designed to alleviate agricultural flood damage and included major drainage to provide additional lands for agriculture. Project features include 34 miles of channel work, a control structure on the Warroad River at the outlet of the Beltrami Island State Forest drainage system, new bridges, grade crossing and drop structures, and a levee along the Warroad River to prevent break-out flows to the adjacent Roseau River basin.

SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL DATA

Estimated Project Costs (October 1984 prices)

Federal	$4,900,000
Non-Federal	$1,900,000
Total	$6,800,000
Funds Allocated to Date	$182,000
Last Year Funds Allocated	1974

REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION OF INACTIVE: On 5 April 1974, the authorized project was reclassified to inactive status. The Warroad Watershed District held a public meeting on 5 March 1974 to determine public support for the project. Because of the increased local costs and the impact of the potentially-required mitigation measures on the local community, the majority sentiment reflected at the meeting did not support the authorized project. As a result, the Warroad Watershed Board sent a written request to the St. Paul District Engineer to place the project in inactive status.

RESULTS OF DEAUTHORIZATION REVIEW: The original economic evaluation for the authorized project was based on crop information gathered in the 1940's. As a part of this review, new crop information was gathered in July 1984. Based on the updated crop information, the project is not now economically feasible: the benefit-to-cost ratio is estimated to be 0.70.

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A public information meeting was held at the Warroad, Minnesota, High School on 2 August 1984. The authorized project was discussed. The deauthorization review program was discussed. Meeting attendees included three of the Warroad Watershed Board members, one State legislator, a representative of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, and seven watershed residents. All of the watershed residents present and two of the board members indicated that they supported the proposed deauthorization.

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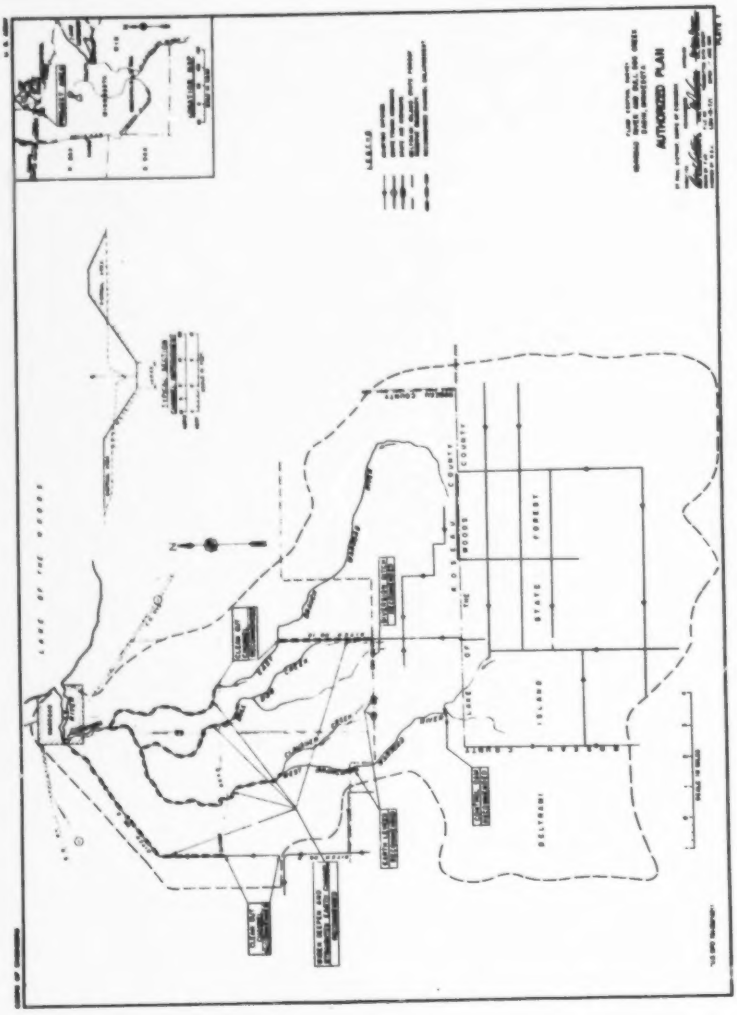

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